

## Senate Bill 216

By: Senators Chance of the 16th, Smith of the 52nd, Carter of the 13th, Rogers of the 21st, Whitehead, Sr. of the 24th and others

**AS PASSED SENATE**

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Part 1 of Article 4 of Chapter 12 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia  
2 Annotated, relating to general provisions of grand juries, so as to provide that certain  
3 individuals are not qualified to serve as grand jurors; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other  
4 purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 Part 1 of Article 4 of Chapter 12 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,  
8 relating to general provisions of grand juries, is amended by revising subsection (b) of Code  
9 Section 15-12-60, relating to qualifications of grand jurors, as follows:

10 "(b) The following persons are not qualified to serve as grand jurors:

11 (1) Any person who holds any elective office in state or local government or who has  
12 held any such office within a period of two years preceding the time of service as a grand  
13 juror; ~~and~~

14 (2) Any person who has been convicted of a felony and who has not been pardoned or  
15 had his or her civil rights restored;

16 (3) Any person under indictment for a felony in any court in Georgia or any other state  
17 in the United States or the federal courts; and

18 (4) Any person accused of a felony pursuant to Code Section 17-7-70.1."

19 **SECTION 2.**

20 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.